VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

IN RE:

LYNNE A. CHINTALA, O.D. License No.: 0601-001590

Complaint No.: 95-01373

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to §§ 9-6.14:11 and 54.1-2400(8) of the Code of Virginia, an Informal Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Virginia Board of Optometry ("Board"), composed of Charles W. Harrill, O.D., and Anna Weaver-Carr, met with Lynne A. Chintala, O.D., on July 16, 1997, in Henrico County, Virginia. Dr. Chintala appeared in person and was not represented by counsel. The purpose of the Informal Conference was to receive and act upon evidence concerning the allegations in the Notice of Informal Conference dated April 18, 1997.

FINDINGS OF FACT

After consideration of the evidence and statements concerning the allegations, the Committee makes the following Findings of Fact:

- 1. Lynne A. Chintala, O.D., holds license number 0601-001590 issued by the Virginia Board of Optometry.
- 2. On or about August 31, 1992, Dr. Chintala entered into a sublease with Gilbert Optical Company ("Gilbert"), Norfolk, Virginia, for space for her optometry practice.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board concludes that Finding of Fact #2 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3205(A) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

CONSENT

Lynne A. Chintala, O.D., by affixing her signature hereon, agrees to the following:

- 1. She has been advised specifically to seek the advice of counsel prior to signing this document;
- 2. She is fully aware that without her consent, no legal action can be taken against her except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, § 9-6.14:1 et seq of the Code of Virginia;

L. A. Chintala, O.D.

3. She has the following rights, among others:

a. the right to a formal fact-finding hearing before the Board;

b. the right to representation by counsel; and

c. the right to cross-examine witnesses against her.

4. She waives all rights to a formal hearing;

5. She admits the truth of the above Findings of Fact; and

6. She consents to the following Order affecting her license to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and with the consent of the licensee, it is hereby ORDERED that Lynne A. Chintala, O.D., be, and hereby is REPRIMANDED.

Dr. Chintala shall maintain a course of conduct commensurate with the requirements of Chapter 32, Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, and the Board of Optometry Regulations.

Pursuant to § 9-6.14:14 of the Code of Virginia, the signed original of this Consent Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as a public record and shall be made available for public release, inspection and copying upon request.

FOR THE BOARD:

Charles W. Harrill, O.D.

President

ENTERED:

SEEN AND AGREED TO:
Lynne A. Chintala, O.D.
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA CITY/COUNTY OF Virginia Beach

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the city/county of August, this 20th day of August, 1997, by Lynne A. Chintala, O.D.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 66, 28, 2001

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Consent Order was mailed to Lynne A. Chintala, O.D., at 921 First Colonial Road, #1203, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23454, on the 1374 day of Nortenber, 1997.

Elizabeth A. Carter, Ph.D.

Executive Director Board of Optometry